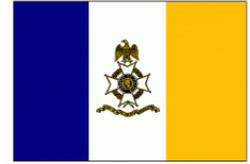




**ARIZONA SOCIETY SONS OF THE
AMERICAN REVOLUTION
BARRY M. GOLDWATER CHAPTER**



NEWSLETTER

April 2012

Minutes of the March 15, 2012, Chapter meeting:

Location:
Coco's Restaurant
4514 E. Cactus, Phx, AZ

The March 15, 2012, meeting opened at 6:30 p.m. by Chapter President Earl Atwood. We had 21 compatriots and guests in attendance.

Chapter historian appointed

Compatriot David A. Swanson was appointed by Chapter President Earl Atwood, with the approval of our Board of Officers, as our 2012 chapter historian.

50/50 Raffle

The lucky winner of the 50/50 raffle was Mike Snyder. Mike returned his winnings to the Chapter.

Thanks Mike!

Guest speaker

Our guest speaker was Byron Schlomach, Ph.D, a speaker from the Goldwater Institute, who gave an excellent presentation regarding the current and future health care in the United States.

Dr. Schlomach, an economist with the Goldwater Institute, gave an overview of the organization and then talked about the new federal healthcare law. During his presentation he provided ideas to stem the constantly rising health care costs in our country which are certainly diametrical to the new law.

The presentation and follow up questions helped provide information on a law that will have far-reaching effects to our country.



Byron Schlomach, Ph.D

Barry M. Goldwater Compatriot, and AZSSAR Registrar, William Hearter MD—32nd Patriot ancestor Supplemental application approved

Bill Hearter recently had his 32nd Patriot ancestor Supplemental application approved by NSSAR.

His 32nd Patriot ancestor is Private Heinrich Anthony Slothour, musician, 1st Pennsylvania. Line (BG Wayne's), Capt. Barnet Eichelberger's Company, Col. Thomas Hartley's Regiment. He enlisted at Hanover, PA in September 1777 and served 18 months. As his Captain and Colonel were listed by pay statements as being at Valley Forge and he was enlisted during this period, he likely was also present, although very few direct records of enlisted personnel have survived.

Congratulations Compatriot Hearter!

Wreaths Across America

The Goldwater Chapter SAR has agreed to partner with the Paradise Valley Chapter DAR in the annual Wreaths Across America (WAA) Project.

Save the day of Saturday December 15, 2012 on your calendar to participate in this honor to our soldiers. The web site for WAA is

<http://www.wreathsacrossamerica.org>. More information to follow as it gets closer.

Barry M. Goldwater Chapter compatriot survey

During the recent Board of Officers meeting the item of attendance and retention within the chapter was discussed. At the present time our chapter has 48 members and as an average approximately 10-15 attend our monthly meetings. At the end of last year we had 60 members and many of that number had recently been approved but never attended any meetings.

Every organization has members who can't attend meetings for one reason or another (I am a good example—just ask my VFW Post in Flagstaff) and ours is certainly no exception. At least with the SAR new Patriot ancestors are proven regardless of the member's participation, which is a historical benefit to the organization and future prospective members, but this still begs the question: **What can we do as a chapter to encourage more active participation in our meetings/activities and promote retention?**

With that question in mind, all compatriots are requested to contact the chapter secretary with their thoughts and recommendations.

Please contact BMG Chapter Secretary David Swanson by e-mail, regular mail or phone at: Swanson1854@yahoo.com, 4851 E. Fernwood Ct., Cave Creek, AZ 85331 or 480-515-2798.



A little bit of AZSSAR, SAR, and Arizona history—continued

By David A. Swanson

I was reading the March 1st newspaper and noticed that the 54th Heard Museum Guild Indian Fair and Market would be taking place in Phoenix on the following weekend and thought this would be a great lead-in to Compatriot Dwight Bancroft Heard (AZ No.71). This story is a little ahead of the timeline from my previous Compatriot biographies, but I will return to the older ones next month.

The NSSAR *National Yearbook 1916* shows that on February 22, 1916, Dwight Bancroft Heard was elected as vice-president of the AZSSAR and the Yearbook for 1917 shows that he was elected as the 17th president of the AZSSAR on February 22nd (He was the AZSSAR president in 1917 and 1918).

The following information about Compatriot Heard is taken in part from the current "Heard Museum Fact Sheet."

For more than 75 years, the Heard Museum has been a landmark in Phoenix, a place where visitors from across the globe come to learn about the region's Native

cultures and art. The Heard encompasses 130,000 square feet of galleries, classrooms and performance spaces. This vast space is more than eight times the size of the original structure, built in 1929 to house the personal collections of Phoenix residents, Dwight and Maie Heard.

Dwight Bancroft Heard moved to Chicago from Wayland, Mass., shortly after high school. He began working at Hibbard, Spencer, Bartlett and Company, one of the biggest wholesale hardware companies in the country and the precursor of True-Value Hardware Stores. While there, Dwight was a protégé of Adolphus Bartlett and subsequently met his daughter, Maie Bartlett. In 1893, Dwight and Maie were married. Just one year later, the couple headed for warmer, dryer climes on a doctor's advice after Dwight was diagnosed with lung ailments. The young couple settled in Phoenix in 1895 and decided to make it their home.

Once settled, the couple began a lifelong dedication to the betterment of their new community. Dwight was one of the largest landowners in the Salt River Valley, and his Bartlett-Heard Land and Cattle Company south of Phoenix raised prize cattle, alfalfa, citrus trees and cotton. As the president of the Arizona Cotton Growers' Association, he is credited with helping to make the Arizona cotton growers industry competitive internationally. His other business interests included real estate development, investment lending and newspaper publishing. Maie became actively involved, founding or supporting a number of civic endeavors including the Boy Scouts, Camp Fire Girls, the YWCA and the Woman's Club of Phoenix. Maie Heard and other Bartlett family members donated land for the city's first civic center at the corner of Central Avenue and McDowell Road (where the original Phoenix Art Museum and Phoenix Library stands today).

The Heard's built a 6,000-square-foot house called "Casa Blanca" in what was then north Phoenix. The home featured Spanish-style architecture and was built around an open courtyard. The couple planted hundreds of palm trees along four miles of roads in Los Olivos, the neighborhood surrounding their

home, which was developed by Dwight, and the couple is credited with introducing the stately trees to Phoenix.

Casa Blanca was a major gathering place, where the Heard's hosted a variety of family and friends over the years including Marshall Field, Charles L. Hutchinson (founder of the Art Institute of Chicago), Herbert Hoover, Harvey S. Firestone, Theodore Roosevelt and others.

The Heard's developed a keen interest in American Indian artifacts and art, and they began to acquire pieces that they exhibited in their home. Over the years, the Heard's built their collection through travel and contacts with trading posts as well as with Indian arts acquire pieces that they exhibited in their home. Over the years, the Heard's built their collection through travel and contacts with trading posts as well as with Indian arts dealers such as the Fred Harvey Company.

Much of the archaeological material in the Heard's collection came from La Ciudad, a Hohokam Indian ruin they purchased in 1926 at 19th and Polk streets in Phoenix. The Heard's often shared the site with the public through a series of afternoon viewings, and Mr. Heard was often shared the site with the public through a series of afternoon viewings, and Mr. Heard was a frequent lecturer at Rotary Club meetings throughout the city

Through the years, it became evident that a space larger than their home should be dedicated to the collection and, on the suggestion of their daughter-in-law, Winifred, the Heard's decided build a museum.

The Heard Museum opened quietly in June 1929, several months after Mr. Heard died of a heart attack. There was little fanfare, and the museum didn't even have a sign in its early days, although the *Arizona Republican* newspaper noted its incorporation with headlines in June and its official opening on December 26, that year. Visitors often rang a doorbell of Casa Blanca, so that Mrs. Heard could show them the museum. . . .



The Star Spangled Banner and March 3rd

Here is a resolution from the American Legion that most BMG Compatriots could support:

NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
OF THE AMERICAN LEGION
INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA

October 12-13, 2011

Resolution No. 48: Star Spangled Banner

Origin: Americanism Commission

Submitted by: Americanism Commission

WHEREAS, The Star Spangled Banner became our National Anthem on March 3, 1931, when President Herbert Hoover signed Public Law 823; and

WHEREAS, The American Legion believes that many millions of Americans cherish and respect the currently accepted version, both words and music, of "The Star Spangled Banner", such version being the "Service Version" prepared in 1918 by the War Department for use in Army and Navy song books; and

WHEREAS, It has become customary and traditional to sing or play "The Star Spangled Banner" before sporting events and other large gatherings of people in this country in a traditional manner reflecting a solemn pride, dignity and respect; and

WHEREAS, Many American Legionnaires have been offended by disrespectful and unconventional playing and singing of the National Anthem at sporting events; and

WHEREAS, The American Legion, by action of the 78th National Convention in Salt Lake City, Utah, went on recorupporting establishment of a national day of observance for "The Star Spangled Banner"; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, By the National Executive Committee of The American Legion in regular meeting assembled in Indianapolis, Indiana, on October 12-13, 2011, That The American Legion encourage and recommend the playing of the National Anthem at all sporting events and that it be performed in its original, customary and traditional rendition; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That The American Legion urge radio and television networks and stations to desist from pre-empting with commercial advertisements the singing and playing of our National Anthem and the raising and/or lowering of our Flag; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That The American Legion is opposed to any changes in the words and music of the National Anthem as adopted under Public Law 823 of the 71st Congress; and, be it finally

RESOLVED, That The American Legion promote the establishment of March 3 of each year as a national day of observance for "The Star Spangled Banner" and that the patriotic observance of this day stress the origin of "The Star Spangled Banner



Attention all Vets – when you were in the service and stationed abroad would you have enjoyed the opportunity and privilege to call home? Now it is your turn to provide that opportunity and privilege to our current armed forces.

The Arizona Ladies Auxiliary needs your help prior to the 2012 Congress. They plan to collect as many telephone calling cards and Patriotic/SAR/ or blank “Thank You” cards as they can for our troops at the Landstuhl Regional Medical Center in Germany. In the Ladies Hospitality Room at Congress they will address “Thank You” cards and insert a calling card. After Congress they will be shipped to Landstuhl, Germany

As an individual or chapter gather the calling cards (preferably \$10.00 denomination) and “Thank You” cards and mail them to J. Michael Jones at 212 W. Country Gables Dr., Phoenix, AZ 85023-5250 before June 1, 2012.

If you or the chapter would prefer to make a donation send a check payable to AZSSAR and we’ll buy the calling cards in your honor. All donations will be recognized at Congress.

J. Michael Jones - Congress Planning
Chairman for Nancy Alter – Ladies Auxiliary
President
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 **Fly the Arizona state flag throughout 2012 and encourage others to do the same. It’s a beautiful flag that represents a beautiful state!**

Ancestor biographies wanted for your newsletter.

If you would like to see your patriot ancestor’s information in our newsletter please send it to the newsletter editor (try to limit the size to a double sided paper.)

Help! If you are receiving this newsletter by mail and you have an e-mail address that would work just as well, please e-mail that address to David Swanson at: Swanson1854@Yahoo.com In addition to saving postage, you will get the crisp full color version that is much easier on your eyes.

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Chapter Meeting Notice

The next regular meeting of the BMG Chapter will be held on **Thursday, April 19, 2012, at 6:30 p.m.**

Location: Coco's Restaurant
4514 E Cactus Road
Phoenix, AZ (602) 953-9155

Compatriots, wives, prospective members, and guests are cordially invited to attend this and all meetings.

Dinner will be ordered from a menu specially prepared for us. There will be a choice of several different entrees, so there will be something for everyone. The cost is \$15.50 per person, which includes: dinner, soft drinks, tea, coffee, tax and gratuity.

(Please bring your check made out to BMG Chapter AZSSAR or have correct change and please give it to me before the beginning of the meeting or at the latest, the dinner portion of it.)

The meeting agenda is contained on the following page. (Please copy and bring it).

If you plan on attending, please notify me at Swanson1854@Yahoo.com or telephone (480) 515-2798 on or before April 16, 2012.

Just a reminder, we have chapter meetings on the third Thursday of each month at 6:30 p.m. Please mark your calendars. (No meetings during June—August and December)

Thanks. See you at the meeting!

David A. Swanson, Secretary/Treasurer
Barry M. Goldwater Chapter AZSSAR



Barry M. Goldwater Chapter Arizona Society, SAR

Agenda April 19, 2012

Call to Order 6:30 p.m.

Invocation

Pledge of Allegiance

SAR Pledge

We the descendants of the heroes of the American Revolution, who by their sacrifices, established the United States of America, reaffirm our faith in the principles of liberty and our Constitutional Republic and solemnly pledge ourselves to defend them against every foe.

Business Session

Treasurer's Report
Other officer reports or remarks
New member inductions (if any).

Dinner

50/50 Raffle

Program

Compatriot John Conrad will continue his Revolutionary War events series with: *Events of 1778*. John has presented outstanding programs in the past and this be no exception!

Benediction

God Bless America

SAR Recessional

Until we meet again, let us remember our obligations to our forefathers, who gave us our Constitution, the Bill of Rights, an independent Supreme Court and a Nation of Free Men.

Adjournment and individual pictures taken for the 2012 year book